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In re the Application of .

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For: INK CARTRIDGE FOR PRINTER OR THE LIKE AND INK CARTRIDGE  
POSITIONING AND LOCKING MECHANISM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

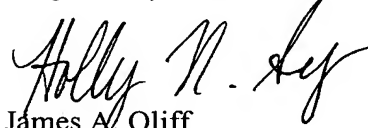
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 3. The reference was cited by or submitted to the Office in parent application No. 10/108,567, filed March 29, 2002, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. Thus, a copy of the reference is not attached. 37 CFR §1.98(d).

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